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TO AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT

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FROM AF/W

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, EAID, MR

SUBJECT: AVAILABILITY OF INTERNAL TRANSPORT CAPACITY IN
MAURITANIA

1. AID/W HAS ASKED US TO CABLE YOU REGARDING THE CURRENT
ALLOCATION OF TRUCKING CAPACITY WITHIN MAURITANIA. AID/W
IS CONCERNED THAT, IN EVENT SIGNIFICANT FOOD RELIEF
EFFORT IS WARRANTED BY FINDINGS OF MULTI-DONOR MISSION
(WHOSE FINAL REPORT NOT YET RECEIVED IN AID/W), MAURI-
TANIAN GOVERNMENT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MOVE FOODSTUFFS
DURING REMAINDER OF 1977 DUE TO DIVERSION OF TRUCKS FOR
OTHER PURPOSES. IN PARTICULAR, AID/W IS CONCERNED THAT
RECENT POLISARIO ATTACK AT ZOUERATE MIGHT OPEN NEW SEASON
OF SEARCH-AND-DESTROY OPERATIONS AGAINST POLISARIO BY
MAURITANIAN ARMED FORCES; WITH RESULT THAT ALL AVAILABLE
TRUCKS MIGHT BE DIVERTED FROM RELIEF OPERATIONS TO SUCH
MILITARY MISSIONS.

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2. WHILE WE FULLY REALIZE PROGNOSIS OF SECURITY SITUATION
IS DIFFICULT, WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S ASSESSMENT OF
LIKELIHOOD OF DIVERSION OF TRUCKING CAPACITY FOR MILITARY
PURPOSES OVER NEXT SIX MONTHS. CHRISTOPHER

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